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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S RESPONSE TO CONDOLENCE MESSAGE

1. THE PRESIDENT HAS RECEIVED A CONDOLENCE MESSAGE BY COMMERCIAL CABLE FROM MARONITE ARCHBISHOP ABDU KHALIFE, REDFERN, NSW, ON THE DEATHS OF AMBASSADOR MELOY AND HIS COLLEAGUES IN BEIRUT. PLEASE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING REPLY FROM THE PRESIDENT TO ARCHBISHOP KHALIFE;

2. "YOUR BEATITUDE:

"I WAS DEEPLY MOVED TO RECEIVE YOUR EXPRESSION OF CONDOLENCE ON THE TRAGIC DEATHS OF OUR DIPLOMATS, AMBASSADOR MELOY AND COUNSELOR WARING. YOUR CONCERN MEANS A GREAT DEAL TO ME PERSONALLY AND TO THE FAMILIES OF THESE FINE MEN. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD."

3. THE WHITE HOUSE HAS NO PLANS TO RELEASE THE TEXT OF THIS MESSAGE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF THE ARCHBISHOP DESIRES TO DO SO. ROBINSON

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